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OPC-TV SERIES SET TO START

te; Filming of the first thirteen shows of the historic new OPC/TV series tentatively titled "Foreign Correspondent" will begin in Europe shortly, and will be ready for a nation-wide premiere next January it was announced today by Matthew Huttner.

Hailed by President Wayne Richardns son as a great tribute to the foreign corto respondent, the new series has been made te: possible under an arrangement between

MATERIAL WANTED

Gene Feldman, story editor of Derel, says that "first and foremost of our requirements is that each story have a point that can be translated in terms of both action and human emotion. Secondly, the story must have meaning to a modem TV audience. Since all of the shooting for the first thirteen will be in Europe, stories with Far East backgrounds are out for the present. OPC members could greatly help us by sending in copies of their published books. As soon as they have been fully "mined" they will be returned to their owners." Feldman can be reached at 68 William Street, New York 5, New York, BOwling Green 9-1550.

ABC/TV and Derel Producing Associates representing the Club.

Under the terms of the Club's contract, members whose stories are selected will receive \$500 for each dramatization as well as an additional \$250 for a personal appearance to accept the special correspondent's award that is being created for the series.

The Club will also receive \$750 per program for which it agrees to make its name and prestige available and to aid the producers in obtaining the outstanding stories of OPC members for adaptation.

Bernie Luber, producer of the series, has announced the first three stories se-



At the Chinese regional dinner, President WAYNE RICHARDSON at the head table had Mr. and Mrs. CHIPING KIANG as his guests of honor. Mr. Chiping Kiang is Alternate Representative to the Chinese Permanent Mission to the United Nations.

LAONG HAAH GAI GUN TO HUN YIN GAI DING AT CHINA DINNER

lected as: My Favorite Kidnapper by Pierre Huss; The Czar's Daughter by George W. Herald; The Liberation of Paris from the OPC Book "Off The Record."

Mr. Luber, who was with Paramount Pictures for nearly 15 years, says that he and his associates expect to spend over \$300,000 for the first thirteen shows and that the entire 39 series will involve a budget in excess of \$1,000,000. Location crews and actors are already being set up for Munich and Paris, and Luber has a plan in mind to link three of the first shows produced into a full length motion picture.

Hailing the new TV show as the greatest tribute to the foreign correspondent ever to be created, President Richardson says, "We are certain that Club members have been especially sensitive to the low literacy level of much of today's dramatic fare on TV, especially when such programs deal with journalists. Here then is a chance for every OPC member to do something about this unhappy condition-working for their own show, drawn from their own stories".

Another of the sellout regional dinners given by the OPC Hospitality committee was held on Tuesday with a capacity attendance which found one of the most attractive dinner menus ever offered at the club.

Some 140 persons including Dr. and Mrs. P. H. Chang, Consul-General of the Republic of China in New York, and Mr. and Mrs. Chiping Kiang and Mr. K. W. Yu, Representative and Alternate representative of the Chinese government to the United Nations, and Mr. Lien Chentung, Commissioner of Civil Affairs of the Taiwan Provincial government, were present.

The dinner was preceded by Lichee Blossom Punch, and included Hem Song Wonton (deep-fried wonton), Laong Haah Gai Gun (Lobster and Chicken Roll) and Hun Yin Gai Ding (Diced Chicken Sauteed with bamboo shoots and almonds) and Yung Chow Chow Fan (Chinese roast pork, shrimps and lobster with fried rice).

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PRIZE TRIP GETS PAULA LECLER INTERVIEW

OPC member PAULA LECLER,—who won first prize, of a roundtrip flight to Haiti, at the OPC's Haitian Dinner in January,—shown enjoying exclusive interview with Haitian President PAUL E. MAGLOIRE in his office in the National Palace in Port-au-Prince, where she was warmly received as OPC representative during April-May visit.

HOUSE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MAKES URGENT REPORT

Kathryn Cravens, chairman of the House Operations committee, made an appearance before the Board of Governors at their regular meeting Monday, May 21, to advise them of urgent matters demanding attention.

She reported that two matters, airconditioning of the bar and the dining room and possibly otherrooms if business is to be maintained as normal, and provision for storage space in the kitchen in order to comply with city sanitation requirements were both urgent matters.

The Board voted to have the House committee, in joint session with the Executive committee, secure professional advice on these two matters and make a report back to the Board.

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The new members of the House Operations Committee are: Kathryn Cravens, chairman, Norwood Allman, Lawrence Blochman, Richard de Rochemont, Inez Robb, Matthew Huttner, Hilda Harrison, John Luter, Louis Messolonghites, Arthur G. Milton, Virginia Mizelle, James E. Parlatore, and Joseph Peters.

AP's COLLINS BACK

Jack Collins, AP picture editor, is just back from a trip to Australia where he made plans for coverage of the Olympic games in November. He will head a picture pool formed by AP-UP-INS to cover the games.

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OVERSEAS TICKER

OPC PARIS GROUP TO LUNCH WITH DILLON

C. Douglas Dillon, American Ambassador to France, will be guest of honor at a luncheon of the OPC Paris local on Friday, July 6, at the Hotel de Crillon, Place de la Concorde.

The Board of Governors has authorized this informal gathering and commissioned Curt L. Heymann, chairman of of the Paris local, to make all necessary arrangements.

Heymann reports that he is presently sending out invitations to all members based in Paris and its vicinity and requests that these OPCers check with him about their acceptance at the Hotel de Crillon, Anjou 24-10, Ext. 244.

Out-of-town members expecting to be in Paris on July 6, are very welcome to attend the luncheon if they will kindly inform Curt Heymann accordingly and without delay.

Heymann wrote in reply to Ambassador Dillon's acceptance the following:

Dear Mr. Ambassador: -

In behalf of the Board of Governors of the Overseas Press Club of America, I wish to thank you for accepting my invitation to be the guest of honor at a luncheon of the Club's Paris local on Friday, July 6, 1956, at the Hotel de Crillon, Place de la Concorde.

Assuring you of a hearty welcome at this strictly informal gathering, I wish you bon voyage for your forthcoming vacation in the United States and remain

Faithfully yours, Curt L. Heymann

NEW BULLETIN COMMITTEE TO MEET

A new Bulletin committee and editorial board has been approved by the Board of Governors. They are: John Wilhelm, chairman; Dave Murray, Harrison Salisbury, Larry Lesuer, William Ryan, Mary Hornaday, Dave Ballard, Gil Busch, Joseph Ruffner, Sam Kan, Walter Davenport, Paul Miller, and Ben Wright.

The committee will hold a luncheon meeting Monday, May 28, at the club to consider plans for an expanded and improved Bulletin.

It has been suggested that the name, "Overseas Bulletin," or "Overseas Press Bulletin," might more adequately describe the publication and its readers.

Comment on this matter is invited by the committee.



TIME-LIFE PUBLISHER LUCE

TOURS MIDDLE EAST

While OPC member Clare Boothe Luce, U.S. Ambassador to Italy, returned to the United States this week for a medical examination and rest, her husband, Time-Life publisher completed a five country Middle East tour in time to return to Rome to greet visiting ex-president Harry S. Truman in the Italian capital.

Luce's Middle Eastern tour was described by Time's inter-office publication as follows:

Back at his Rome office this week, Editor-in-Chief Henry R. Luce had behind him a fact-finding, opinion-gathering tour during which he interviewed top government leaders in five countries—Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt, Greece and England. Some highlights of the trip:

Arriving in Beirut April 17, Luce talked with Lebanon's President Camille Chamoun, Premier Abdullah Yafi, Foreign Minister Salim Lahoud. The next day, traveling by plane and car, he visited an Arab refugee camp in Jordan, went sightseeing in Jerusalem, then lunched with UN Secretary General Dag Hammarskiold and UN Truce Team Chief General E.L.M. Burns (Hammarskjold, a poetry lover and an admirer of Ezra Pound's works, surprised Luce with a word of thanks for the recent LIFE editorial, "An Artist Confined"-Feb. 6). Luce returned to Beirut, downed ceremonial Turkish coffee all one morning (Beirut Correspondent John Mecklin estimated the total at 40 cups) while a parade of local businessmen aired pet gripes-mostly against Israel.

Back in Italy April 20 to May 2, Luce was able to make a fast tour of industrial centers before heading eastward again. In Cairo May 3 to 7 Luce was guest of honor at an "Iftar" (first meal of the day for Moslems, who fast until sunset during the month of Ramadan), given by American Ambassador Henry Byroade in a tent on the edge of the desert. During the Cairo stay Luce also talked with British Ambassador Sir Humphrey Trevelyan, Algerian rebel leaders (many of whom have French prices on their heads) and Egyptian Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser. Correspondent Mecklin reaped 20 pages of notes from the threehour Nasser interview. On his last day in Egypt, the editor-in-chief visited refugee camps in Gaza, drove within 200 yards of the Israeli border. Only casualty on the tense frontier: Luce's hat, lost somewhere in the Gaza Strip, found and returned to Mecklin a few days later.

Club Calendar

Monday, May 28 - Bulletin Editorial Board. Luncheon 12:30 p.m.

Monday, May 28 - Correspondents Fund Luncheon meeting.

Tuesday, May 29 — Open House for members of the United Nations commission which conducted the UN plebiscite in Togoland, West Africa, earlier this month. Cocktails 6 p.m.

Friday, June 1 — Preview showing and cocktail party for Connie Ryan's TV film, "Major of St. Lo." 4 p.m.

MYERS AND LAVINE PROMOTED

Debs Myers, who has been Senior Editor for National Affairs of Newsweek magazine, has been named Managing Editor For Special Reports. He will also assist Editorial Director John Denson and Executive Editor Malcolm Muir Jr. in overall editorial management.

Hal Lavine, an alternate member of the OPC Board of Governors, has been named to fill the National Affairs spot given up by Myers. He has been Newsweek's top political reporter.

WHIDDEN IN EUROPE

Howard Whidden, foreign editor of Business Week magazine, is completing a tour of Europe including a visit to Moscow. He is rounding out his two and one half month trip with visits in Bonn, Amsterdam, Brussels and Paris.

SHAPIRO SPOKE

Henry Shapiro, on leave from his Moscow post, recently addressed the Nieman Fellows at Harvard University. He also spoke to the Dutch Treat Club this past week.

BILL ENGELKE TO MARRY

C.B. (Bill) Engelke, UP bureau manager in Philadelphia, will be married June 9 to Miss Astrid Oohner in Bryn Athyn, Pa.

SONIA TOMARA GETS MOSCOW VISA

Sonia Tomara, former foreign correspondent for the New York Herald Tribune, has received a visa for the USSR and intends to go there in July. Sonia was born in Russia and left 36 years

ago. Her husband, Judge William Clark, will accompany her. They got their visas by cabling directly to Nikita Khrushcheff during his London visit.

RYAN'S "ST. LO" SHOWING FRIDAY AT CLUB

The DuPont Cavalcade Theater has filmed a dramatized version of Cornelius Ryan's story, "The Major of St. Lo," which is appearing in the current issue of Colliers.

The film will be given a preview showing at the OPC at 4 p.m. on this Friday, June 1, at a coktail party.

PEOPLE & PLACES...

Arthur Holzman had a drink or two with Bob Pierpoint and Dan Kurzman in Tokyo and a "shalom" or two with Eliav Simon and Al Rosenfeld in Jerusalem on his way back to the States from a round-the-world trip.

Patricia Hartwell has left for five weeks of reporting and planning for the United Nations Children's Emergency Fund in Europe.

H. V. Kaltenborn has a new book scheduled, entitled "It Seems Like Yesterday" and based on the topics and techniques of his TV show...In New York for vacation are Wilson and Lee Hall of NBC Cairo and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Stindt, NBC Berlin.

Bemard Sobel has completed a book called "A Pictorial History of the Leg Show Burlesque"...Max Roden left New York for a summer in Europe May 18.

Fern Marja of the New York Post has

an article on Sen. Eastland (D-Miss) i the May issue of The Progressive...In addition to TV and radio program George Combs has joined the law firm of Uter hart and Schaffer.

Irving E. Levine, NBC News Moscow, was in London covering the "B & K" visit...Stop appeasing the Arabs or lose the Middle East, Hal Lehrman writes in the lead article of Commentary magazine for May.

(Continued in Supplement)

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